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**REQUEST  
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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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<i>Application Number</i>	09/960,412
<i>Filing Date</i>	09/24/01
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Kageyama
<i>Art Unit</i>	2834
<i>Examiner Name</i>	Budd
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	032213.015

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1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

a.  Previously submitted

i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on November 22, 2002  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. Enclosed

i.  Amendment/Reply

ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)

b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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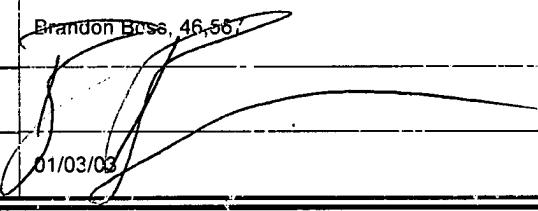
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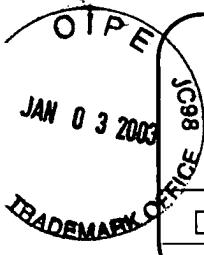
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